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SUBJ: HANDLING OF ISRAELI EXPULSION ISSUE AT LIMA NAC MEETING

REF: A) STATE 177020; B) USUN 3436; C) LIMA 5947; D)STATE 176553

1. FOREIGN OFFICE HAS BEEN AWARE OF U.S. CONCERN ON HANDLING ISRAELI EXPULSION ISSUE AT NAC. IN ABSENCE OF FOREIGN MINISTER, AMBASSADOR CALLED ON SECRETARY GENERAL GARCIA BEDOYA JULY 23 (LIMA REFTEL) TO DISCUSS SECRETARY'S MILWAUKEE SPEECH DURING DISCUSSION ISSUE OF ISRAELI EXPULSION FROM UN WAS RAISED. AMBASSADOR NOTED THAT INTEGRITY AND VERY SURVIVAL OF UN AT STAKE. AS NOTED REFTEL C, GARCIA BEDOYA SAID THAT PERU WOULD NOT PARTICIPATE IN ANY NON-ALIGNED EFFORT TO EXPEL ISRAEL FROM UN. HE STATED THAT PERU VALUED ITS RELATION WITH ISRAEL AND SHARED U.S. CONCERN FOR A JUST AND LEGAL SOLUTION TO MIDDLE EAST PROBLEM THROUGH NEGOTIATIONS AND NOT ON BASIS OF DRASTIC POLITICAL MOVE.

2. AMBASSADOR WILL CALL ON FOREIGN MINISTER DE LA FLOR IN NEAR FUTURE AND WILL DISCUSS INTER ALIA ISRAEL EXPULSION ISSUE. AMBASSADOR WILL ATTEMPT TO IMPRESS UPON DE LA FLOR NEED TO AVOID NAC RESOLUTION CALLING FOR EXCLUSION OF ISRAEL FROM UN OR UNGA. AIDE MEMOIRE ON U.S. LEGAL POSITION (REF D) WILL BE LEFT WITH
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DE LA FLOR. AMBASSADOR IS REQUESTING MEETING WITH MORALES

BERMUDEZ CONCERNING MARCONA EXPROPRIATION, AT WHICH TIME HE ALSO PLANS TO DISCUSS OUR VIEWS ON ISRAELI EXPULSION ISSUE.

3. AWARENESS OF AND EVEN SOME MEASURE OF IDENTIFICATION WITH U.S. VIEW CONCERNING ISRAELI EXPULSION DOES NOT MEAN THAT GOP WILL GRID ITSELF FOR EFFORT NECESSARY TO PREVENT NAC RESOLUTION ON ISRAELI EXPULSION. WE ALSO OF OPINION THAT DE LA FLOR MAY BE UNRELIABLE IN EFFORT TO HOLD THE LINE. GARCIA BEDOYA COMMENT THAT PERU WILL NOT PARTICIPATE IN EFFORT TO EXPEL ISRAEL FROM U.N. IS WELL TAKEN. HOWEVER, GOP OFFICIALS HAVE ALREADY TOLD EMBASSY THAT NAC IS LIKELY TO BE EMBARRASSING FOR U.S. ON OTHER ISSUES AND THAT PERU IS HOST ONLY AND CANNOT LIMIT FREE EXCHANGE IN VIEWS OR ACTION OF VISITING DELEGATIONS.

4. ISRAELIS HAVE BEEN CARRYING OUT A SERIES OF CONTACTS WITH GOP MINISTERS TO MAKE THEIR POINT. VISITING ISRAELI CABINET MINISTER SAW PRESIDENT VELASCO 2 MONTHS AGO AND RECEIVED BROAD ASSURANCES THAT PERU UNDERSTOOD AND WAS IN SYMPATHY WITH ISRAELI VIEW. WELL-PLACED PERUVIANS HAVE APPROACHED SEVERAL CABINET MINISTERS TO PLEAD ISRAELI CASE. ISRAELI AMBASSADOR HOPES TO SEE MORALEZ-BERMUDEZ IN NEAR FUTURE.

5. ISRAELI EMBASSY NOT CONVINCED BY VAGUE FOREIGN OFFICE ASSURANCES THAT PERU WILL NOT SUPPORT NAC RESOLUTION ON SUSPENSION OF ISRAEL FROM UNGA. DE LA FLOR ALSO GAVE ASSURANCES TO ISRAEL ON UNESCO DECISION, BUT PERU VOTED AGAINST ISRAEL WHEN CHIPS WERE DOWN. ALSO FOREIGN OFFICE INDICATED TO ISRAELI EMBASSY THAT PERU UNDER PRESSURE ON TWO OTHER ISSUES WHICH MUST TAKE PRIORITY OVER ISRAEL PROBLEM, NAMELY PUERTO RICO AND THE QUESTION OF CHILEAN PARTICIPATION AT NAC (WE ARE PERPLEXED ON CURRENT SOURCE OF PRESSURE REGARDING PUERTO RICAN QUESTION; IT WAS GARCIA BEDOYA WHO FIRST MENTIONED TO AMBASSADOR POSSIBILITY OF PUERTO RICAN OBSERVERS AT NAC)

6. ISRAELIS HAVE SOME INDICATION THAT EXPULSION QUESTION MAY BE BROUGHT TO VOTE RATHER THAN BE DECIDED BY CONSENSUS FORMULA NORMALLY UTILIZED BY NON-ALIGNED. IF SO, CHANCE FOR OUTCOME FAVORABLE TO ISRAEL SLIGHTLY ENHANCED.

7. ISRAELI EMBASSY CONSIDERS THAT BEST HOPE FOR ENLISTING PERUVIAN

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SUPPORT IN EFFORT AVOID NAC DECISION IS TO USE VARIETY OF APPROACHES IN ORDER CONVINCE TOP GOP OFFICIALS OF IMPORTANCE THIS ISSUE FOR UN SYSTEM. EMBASSY CONCURS WITH THIS VIEW. WE ARE SEEKING TO INCLUDE EUROPEANS IN THIS TASK.

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